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THE IOWAVE



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Dedicated to All IOWAVES in Training and Afield
U. S. NAVAL TRAINING SCHOOL, CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

16 December 1944

War Highlights

WESTERN FRONT

Patton's Third Army in France received word that they would receive a 30-day leave, after many months of unceasing battle.

German outpost lines crumpled under a great three-army American offensive. America's 7th Army swept 16 miles in 30 hours, driving into Seltz, a mile from the Rhine, in the northeast corner of France. The 3rd Army invaded the eastern Saar and the U. S. 1st captured eight towns on the approaches to Duren. All this took place on a 275-mile front.

France and Russia signed a 20-year treaty of alliance and assistance, pledging unity against Germany, both in war and peace.

The military situation in Athens became more and more confused, with RAF bombers going into action against Elms forces.

Russian tanks and infantry captured Godolle, last major German bastion, 10 miles northeast of Budapest. House to house fighting was reported in this city's "outer suburbs."

PACIFIC FRONT

Japanese forces were reported steadily weakening after Ormoc fell to the Seventy-seventh Division. Tormoc was the last Japanese stronghold on Leyte. On Wednesday, the U. S. reported that they sank four transports and three destroyers belonging to the Japanese.

HOME FRONT

Here on the home front, the Senate passed a bill authorizing \$500,000,000 for postwar navigation and power projects.

Secretary of State Stettinius today urged prompt Senate approval of six top State Department appointments.

Sleigh Greet Seamen at Station

New trainees arriving late Wednesday afternoon were greeted with a sample of Iowa winter and the friendly spirit that permeates the U.S.S. BARTLETT.

Besides the usual buses for transportation, a sleigh was at the station and twelve fortunate seamen were driven to the campus in style.

Women in Navy Blue

An Historical Drama in Three Acts

Time—15 December 1942 through 15 December 1944

Place—Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Prologue

Naval Training School (Indoctrination) for Women's Reserve officially opens 15 December 1942 on the campus of Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls.

ACT I—Naval Indoctrination

Scene 1—First graduation—15 January 1945—one thousand former civilians complete "boot" training and leave for advanced training or duty stations.

Scene 2—Second indoctrination class honored by visit of Lt. Comdr. Mildred H. McAfee, Director of Women's Reserve.

Scene 3—Admiral John Downes, commandant of the Ninth Naval District speaks, 1 April 1943, to graduating class and witnesses first out-door review of the school.

ACT II—School Changes from Indoctrination

to a Naval Instruction

Scene 1—First class of graduates on 20 April 1943.

Scene 2—Dean Alice Lloyd is honored guest on first anniversary of the Women's Reserve, 30 July 1943.

Scene 3—IOWAVE newspaper is born as a daily on 7 September 1943, is converted to a weekly on 24 September 1943.

Scene 4—Reception is held in the Georgian Lounge of the Commons for Admiral H. G. Taylor, Superintendent Civil Engineer of Ninth Naval District, who reviews the regiment and speaks to the graduates earlier in the day of 18 October 1943.

ACT III—Yeoman School Advances

Scene 1—Governor B. B. Hickenlooper of Iowa is honored by side boys of Iowans stationed here on 1 May 1944.

Scene 2—31 July 1944, second anniversary of the Women's Reserve, is set aside as a work celebration day and one hundred and fifty WAVES detassel corn on one of Iowa's nearby farms.

Scene 3—Anniversary of Pearl Harbor is celebrated by subscribing for \$20,575 in war bonds.

Epilogue

8 December 1944—official notification is received that last class will graduate from Cedar Falls on 30 April 1945.

Staff Celebrates Two Years Aboard

Four of the original officers of the Naval Training School at Cedar Falls are still on board and this past week have been recalling any incidents of the first hectic days of the establishment of the Naval Training School which celebrates its second anniversary on 15 December 1944.

Officers who have seen the school through its two years of high accomplishment include only four: The Commanding Officer, Commander E. E. Pettee, who was executive officer in those early days; Lieut. W. N. McCown, now head of the instruction department who was at that time an instructor; Lieut. Elizabeth Hall, now officer-in-charge of seamen who was then first lieutenant; and Lt. (jg) Gladys W. Hearst who has been public relations officer from the beginning.

Ensign Kay Holem and Helen Adams, Y1c, both arrived late in December fresh from Stillwater with their Y3c badges shiny and new. Yeoman Holem became yeoman to the officer-in-charge of seaman and Yeoman Adams went into the personnel department. Yeoman Holem was transferred from Cedar Falls and held several billets before going to OCS. She returned to Cedar Falls in May 1944 and since that time has been an instructor in the shorthand and typewriting department.

Among the yeomen who were retained from the first yeoman class from Cedar Falls, only four remain: Nadeen Miller, Y1c, in the public relations office; Alice Prigge, Y1c, yeoman to the officer-in-charge of seamen; Jeanette Wright, Y1c, a captain's yeoman; and Dorothy Weaver Y2c, yeoman in the instruction department.

Other members of the staff reported aboard in quick succession but those named above were the real pioneers and the IOWAVE salutes them for their fine work in launching the school. Many of them will possibly help with the decommissioning and in so doing, will have helped steer the good ship USS BARTLETT through its entire course.

WAVES and Coeds Sing Carols Friday Evening

Friday evening between 1845 and 1900 the college Christmas tree will be lighted near the Commons. Christmas carols will be played on the campanile and sung by the WAVES and college students.

THE IOWAVE



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By the Seamen of Bartlett Hall
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EDITORIAL

We Don't Want To Go Home!

Gripping is a good healthy sign but let us look at the bright side of this Navy life for a change. Remember the days when cigarettes were practically nil? A pack a day is only a dream for civilians nowadays. Before Hunter chocolate was unheard of but now the line forms to the right at Ship's Service from 1630 to 1930.

Most of us never had eight hours sleep in civilian life and what's more we don't have to worry about alarm clocks that forget to go off. A small bell in seamen's billets does all the work and even a groundhog hasn't a chance when they start ringing.

No time is allotted for boredom. The whole day is planned and who has to worry about what to do next to fill in time?

Neither are there laundry bills. As civilians we were always fussing about what to wear and wondering where we would dig up the money for a new hat. Those days are gone for the duration. The stocking problem was completely solved the day Navy Nylons were donned.

Lastly, think of the neat little housewives we will all be when Johnny comes marching home. So, to use the crude vernacular of the street, "leave us take it like we like it," and remember that, "a smile is like the summer sunshine," as it says in Gregg's Functional Method number one.

Xmas Regs

Mustn't buy me pretty bows,
Skirts of lavender and rose,
Shoes of giddy, twinkle toes,
Or the naughty netted hose.

Mustn't buy me boutonnieres,

Or the kind of hat that flares,
Jangling beads, and gypsy wares,
Jackets from the fuzzy bears.

Mustn't buy me fancy pins,
Chi-chi for the neck and chin,
Or, bags with my initials in,
For a WAVE, such gifts are sin.

Mary Kingsbury, SpX3c.

—The Alway.

BARTLETT BINNACLE

Much rejoicing this weekend, as it officially marks the beginning of the Christmas season in Bartlett Hall, Familiar carols fill the corridors, and all the trainees are eagerly planning how and with what they will decorate their humble abodes. Wreathes, table trees, and other additions by our more ingenious comrades will help spread cheer up to and through Christmas.

Social life seems to be predominating, with parties, parties, and more parties coming and going, the main issue being food, of course. Incidentally, if the WAVES should suddenly be mustered out, more than one gal could easily set up a grocery store or a bakery shop. From the looks of the boxes that arrive daily, the folks at home must be on a bread and water diet—and completely devoid of ration points. There couldn't be much left. It's all in Bartlett Hall.

People - We - Could - Do - Better - Without Department: The fresh air fiend who invariably sits in the corner of the inboard file, leaps madly over to the windows, flings them open, and then charges back to her corner. Oh, well, what's a little pneumonia among seamen?; the trainee who babbles away constantly in ranks, and then complains for a week, (at the least,) because she got on the tree; anyone who can't take what she has coming to her; the lovely lassie who playfully stabs you in the back with a recently sharpened pencil just as someone calls "Attention!"

The college students and the other residents of Iowa in the vicinity must truly feel gratified as they hear various sections singing, "It Won't Be Long Till We Leave Iowa." After two years of unending hospitality, it hardly seems fitting. Most of us will take away very pleasant memories of Iowa State Teachers college. Why not admit it?

T'other day in lecture, Miss Hodges was discussing Japan. During the course of the period she queried, "How many of you have ever been to Japan?" There was no response, so she questioned further, "Well, then, how many of you know any Japanese?" A surprising number of hands resulted, and Miss Hodges looked a little dumbfounded, until she realized what had happened. "No, no," she said. "I meant the language." A good many girlish blushes resulted,

along with much hilarity.

Is it absolutely necessary that each section identify itself every Saturday with that bright little ditty that goes, "Here is Section Umpty-Eleven, where is Section Eleventy-Two"? Anything wears with time—and you can always have too much of a good thing.

To the new trainees: Welcome, make yourselves at home, and have fun. Gladaseeya!

'Tis rumored that Kathleen Winslow of Section 34 is being recommended for the Purple Heart for injuries sustained in line of duty. Of course, if you come right down to it, she was on her way to Olson's for a piece of pie, but she bit the dust, (or rather the ice), and gave her noggin a good, firm crack. No injury to the pavement was reported. At least she's better off than some of us. She has an excuse for any eccentricities.

Era G. McDaniels has four very good reasons for wanting to serve in the Navy. She has four brothers in the Navy, three of whom are now somewhere in the South Pacific. One of her brothers has a medical discharge. Her Christmas wish is a billet on the Pacific Coast so she can meet her brothers as they come in.

Section 33 now knows how Montana Ennerson keeps her clothes so well pressed. She puts them under her mattress. It's an old time-honored custom of the Navy.

Private from Michigan: "Once when I was a civilian I caught a bass that was three feet long."

Private from California: "That is nothing. When I was a civilian I pulled a lantern out of the river and it was still burning."

Private from Mich: "I find that mighty hard to believe."

Private from Calif.: "All right, then, you cut two feet off your fish, and I'll blow out the lantern."

—Camp Beale Bealiner.

The civilian who wasn't quite able to distinguish an officer's rank by insignia was conversing with a colonel. Several times he called him captain, then as if not sure, he asked: "You are a captain, aren't you?"

"Well," said the colonel, slightly amused, "I once was, but I'm not any more."

"That's too bad," consoled the civilian. "Was it women or liquor?"

—The RI-te-Up

Anchors Aweigh For Twenty-sixth Class

Monday, 11 December, the twenty-sixth class of yeomen was graduated from the Naval Training School at Cedar Falls.

In introducing the guest, Dr. Malcom P. Price, President of Iowa State Teachers College, Comdr. E. E. Pettee reviewed the hectic early days of the school and commented on the fine spirit of cooperation that has existed between the college, the Navy, and the Army while they were stationed here.

Dr. Price said that working with the Navy and supplying the facilities for the training school had been a source of gratification and pleasure for the college. He also told graduates that they had two duties to perform—to do a good job on their new assignments and to hold themselves ready and prepared to assume the duties relative to putting the world back into a shipshape condition after the war.

Lieut. Elizabeth Hall, officer-in-charge of seamen, presented certificates to platoon leaders of the outgoing sections and commended the following seamen for their fine records of achievement:

Eleánor Hagelin, section 14, who took dictation at 120 words per minute and transcribed the material at 52 words per minute with no errors.

Dorothy Lawson, section 14, who typed 100 words per minute with no errors.

Josephine Strameky, section 31, who made the most progress. She increased her typing rate from 43 with two errors to 66 with three, and as a beginner in shorthand took dictation at 80 words per minute, transcribing at 27 words per minute with one error.

MOVIES

Saturday, 16 December 1944

2000 — "The Doughgirls" — a comedy with Ann Sheridan, Alexis Smith and Jane Wyman. "Bugs Bunny Nips the Nips" — technicolor cartoon. "Mexican Sportland" — a technicolor sports parade. RKO News.

Sunday, 17 December 1944

*1845 — "For Whom the Bell Tolls" — a drama in technicolor with Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman.

*Note change of time.

Two Staff Members Report to New Duty

Lt. (jg) Florence M. Koughan bids the Naval Training School "farewell" after 18 months in Cedar Falls. She reports to the Office of the Port Director, on the West coast.

Miss Koughan was commissioned on 29 June 1943 at Northampton, Mass. While here she was an instructor in shorthand and typing also participating as a section officer, conservation officer and recently as a member of the Welfare Fund Auditing Board.

Her new duty station is next door to her home which is Berkeley, California. Miss Koughan's family is well represented in this war as well as in the last World War. Her father was a Commander in World War I. Her twin sister is a Lt. (jg) now stationed at the Office of Censorship, San Francisco, California, and her brother, a Lieutenant, is stationed at the Naval Pre-Flight School, Athens, Georgia.

Miss Koughan is a graduate of the University of California with an A. B. and M. A. Degree.

Also receiving transfer orders this week was Eugene K. Smith, Pharmic. Pharmacist's Mate Smith will report to Great Lakes, Illinois for new duty. Prior to joining the medical staff at Cedar Falls, Smith served overseas for twenty-three months with the First Marine Division.

23 Men Spend Year At Lonely Outpost

An Outpost in the Far North—(Delayed)—On this lonely little island, not too far from the Arctic Circle, there are 21 Coast Guardsmen and two Army men, the latter attached to a weather squadron. These men arrived here a little more than a year ago, and their first impressions were those of resignation, for they had already been informed that the only island inhabitants were a few foxes and some birds.

When the last ship had departed, after unloading supplies and stores on the beach, the little group set about making its new home as pleasant as possible. Soon the heavy snow would arrive and work would have to be abandoned. At the last moment, mail was collected from the departing transport, and some of the men rationed their reading so as to prolong the last tie with home. They knew all too well that there would be no more for many months.

The army men were in a dilemma. As Sergeant Richard C. Anderson, of 55 Smith Avenue, Islip, New York, described the setup, "We didn't know whether we had joined the Coast Guard or visa versa. Anyway, we were in the minority, so we let the Coast Guardsmen take over. We were never sorry for that. One thing that irked us was that, in the rush to provision the place a few desirable items were overlooked, where-

as large cans of beans and bacon were in abundance. We would have gladly traded our surplus bacon with some willing neighbors, (if we had had any), for some good American hamburgers. There wasn't time to install a refrigerator and, after the initial supply of fresh meat was consumed, we had to resort to the canned variety. The taste isn't the same. Food became our chief topic of conversation.

Coast Guardsman Russell Anderson, Pharmacist's Mate, First Class, from Missoula, Montana, recalled the time when Herm Wintroub, Chief Radioman, of Omaha, Nebraska, went foraging for a change of diet. Five birds of an undetermined species, fell victim to his expert machine-gunning. Whatever their origin, the birds were a welcome addition to the menu. James H. Waterman, Ship's Cook, First Class, of Seattle, Washington, guesses that the newly found delicacy were either seagull or cormorant. It took a lot of cooking to tenderize them, he said.

Eventually the snow got so deep that the Quonset huts in which the men lived were barely visible above drifts. During one of the numerous storms that swept down from the pole on the party, Albert Koch, Radioman, Third-Class of Little Rock, Arkansas, left one hut to visit another but fifty feet distant. The snow was so thick that he got lost, later discovering that he had walked right over his objective.

It was a happy day for all hands when they learned that June would bring a coast guard cutter with mail, fresh meat, fruits, vegetables and best of all—a relief crew. Also included in the cargo was sufficient refrigeration equipment to maintain supplies of fresh meat for the new crew.

The night the cutter arrived, the men sat down to a feast of steak and onions, and French fried potatoes. For dessert there was 16 months' accumulation of mail, plus the thought that within a week they would be enroute home to family and friends.

Among those who spent a year in the Arctic were: Frank Beninati, Radio Technician, Second Class, 124 Montgomery Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Jack Pyle, Radioman, Second Class, 1306½ Sullivan Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri; William J. Brown, Radio Technician, Second Class, 137 East Dunham St., Philadelphia; Pennsylvania; George Yakush, Radioman, Second Class, 1422 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; William Houlihan, Ship's Cook, First Class, 214 East Plainfield Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Lloyd Buchanan, Radio Tech. Third Class, Anacortes, Washington; and C. K. Keeney, Motor Machinist's Mate, First Class, of Oakland, California.

STARS IN SERVICE



BILL BONTHRON
WHOSE MILE RACES
WITH GLENN CUNNINGHAM
PROVIDED SOME OF THE MOST EXCITING PAGES IN TRACK HISTORY

BACK IN HIS TRACK DAYS BILL (NOW AN ENSIGN IN THE U.S.N.R.) WAS POINTING FOR A CHANCE TO COMPETE IN THE 1940 OLYMPICS WHICH WERE TO HAVE BEEN HELD IN JAPAN—
YOUR BUYING OF WAR BONDS
WILL HELP SPEED OUR BOYS TO JAPAN!

Know Your Navy



Decorations and Medals

Next in line of the decorations conferred by the United States for heroic deeds are the Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguished Service Medal.

The Distinguished Service Cross is strictly an Army decoration and as such ranks next to the Medal of Honor. The regulations governing the award of the Cross limit it to "any person who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States, shall distinguish himself or herself, by individual acts of extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy." Although this is strictly an Army award, the provisions require that the act or deed be performed in the actual theatre of military operations and the decoration can be conferred on civilians working with the Army. Nurses and other members of relief organizations have been recipients of this Medal.

The Distinguished Service Cross is a bronze cross surmounted by an American eagle on a laurel wreath. The inscription "For Valor" appears on the scroll emerging from the lower arm of the Cross. The medal suspends from a blue ribbon having narrow stripes of red and white along its sides.

The Distinguished Service Medal was established to acknowledge the services of any person, civilian or military, who, while associated with the Army or Navy, has in a position of great responsibility distinguished himself by his services to the Government. Recipients of this medal have been foreign as well as American. It resembles in its function the French Legion of Honour.

The Navy Distinguished Service Medal is attached by a white star and a gold anchor to a blue ribbon having a gold stripe in the

Anniversary of NTS Radio Show Theme

The second anniversary of the commissioning of the U. S. Naval Training School at Cedar Falls was celebrated Monday, 11 December, on the WAVES ON THE AIR program, a monthly radio show broadcast over Station KXEL. By means of a narrator and dialogue supposedly taking place inside Bartlett Hall, the skit covered briefly the history of the school since its commencement.

The show was written by Elizabeth Ellen White, S2c, and the narrating was done by Dixon A. Howell, S2c. The cast, which included a chorus of ten voices, consisted of Seamen Dixon A. Howell, Eileen M. Sauer, Barbara E. Foster, Elizabeth E. White, Lois H. Barclay, Sally C. Latourette, Lois E. Whitehouse, Marcelle S. Raymer, Sarita Morrow, Phyllis E. Walker, Dorothy G. Kruger, Barbara A. Reed, Eleanor L. Thomas, Mary B. Ebener, Elizabeth A. Backer, Dorothy M. Fleming, Elyn W. Sievers, Hazel L. Watts, Marietta J. Crom.

Officers and Ship's Co. Defeat Section 23

A most interesting volleyball tournament was brought to a close with section 23 coming out as the winner. On Tuesday evening officers and ship's company played the winning section. Officers and ship's company won over section 23 to the tune of 50 to 32.

Next on the program of sports are the tournaments of basketball, pingpong and the ever popular badminton. The competition will be between the various platoons and companies. Each platoon may have as many teams as they wish and each will have a chance to play several times. Winners play winners and losers play losers.

These three tournaments are not going to begin until the new trainees are settled and accustomed to their new surroundings.

center. The medal is of gold-bronze in the center of which appears the American eagle. Around the eagle, inscribed in blue enamel, are the words "United States of America.—Navy."

The Army Distinguished Service Medal suspends from a ribbon having three wide stripes; the outside ones red, the center one white edged in blue. The medal itself is a medallion of gold-bronze in whose center is the Great Seal of the United States. Around the seal, inscribed on blue enamel are the words, "For Distinguished Service—MCMXVIII."

Short WAVE Notes

Girls to be envied are Frances J. Senger and Gloria Bolognesi, of section 11. Their friendship began in high school in Iron Mountain, Michigan where they were both editors of their school paper and both members of the National Honor Society. After they decided on a Navy career, they were sworn in together in Milwaukee, were fortunate enough to be roommates at Hunter and are now in the same section and billeted next door to each other. No doubt there will be some finger-crossing done by these two girls when the assignments are being made next month.

Geneva McGee, section 13, should have plenty of competition in relating her post-war accounts of the Battle of Cedar Falls, said competition being furnished by her husband, a paratrooper who has made jumps on the Normandy coast on "D-Day" and on Holland. Geneva and her husband are from Atlanta, Georgia.

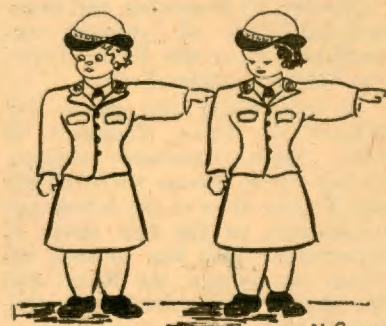
The hospital ship CAPT. CHARLES A. STAFFORD, a seven-hundred bed vessel, was recently named as a tribute to the brother of Jacquelin Penny, trainee of section 11. Captain Stafford, who was a doctor, was lost in the army's evacuation of Java early in the Pacific war. Jacquelin's home is Kemmerer, Wyoming.

One WAVE who has first-hand knowledge of the European war is Helen Kwiecien of section 41. She was residing in Poland at the time Austria and Czechoslovakia were invaded. Her first trip to Poland was in 1935 when she attended a girl-scout and boy-scout jamboree in Spala, Poland. She also attended the University of Warsaw for two years, 1937 and 1938, as a result of winning a scholarship offered by the World League of Poles. Helen's grandfather and her fiancé are in Poland now.

Mary Lamb Freeman, section 44, has written the lyrics to a hymn "The Lamb and Jesus Slept," the music of which was written by Frances Hall, pianist and composer of New York City. The composition is to be presented for the first time by a choir of midshipmen at a candlelight service at Riverside Church in New York City on 17 December. Mary Lamb is from Erie, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Frieda Aldrich from Ft. Dodge, Iowa, is visiting her daughter, Jeanette Wright, Y1c, this week.

Dress Right, Dress!



An exercise suit consisting of light blue denim shorts and a matching skirt to be worn with the long or short-sleeved white shirt has been authorized for use by WAVES participating in sports activities which require that type of garment. The eight-gored skirt buttons down the front and has a patch pocket. The shorts are also of a simple style. Navy blue or white ankle socks may be worn with the exercise suit. This new exercise suit will be available in the spring.

Civilian accessories, as approved by the commanding officer, may be worn with the exercise suit. Full length hose may be worn with or without socks, when the skirt is not removed.

The skirt may be removed only when one is actually engaged in exercise and at all other times it shall be worn buttoned. The skirt should be worn tucked in at all times.

WAVES Back Christmas Seal Sale with \$150.52

The sale of Christmas Seals this week amounted to a commendable total of \$150.52. Section 14 bought the greatest number of seals closely followed by section 31. The sale was sponsored by the Torch and Tassel Honorary Sorority of the college.



Well, Mabel, didya' get that Bond?

USO Notes

Have you signed up for the Christmas Candle Buffet Supper to be held at the U.S.O. in Cedar Falls, on 23 December? Everyone is invited to participate. There will be entertainment, refreshments and Mrs. Mach to welcome all the new trainees.

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This weekend the USO would like to have any one with a flair for decorating help trim the club. Those who do not care to do the actual decorating can come and tell the others what to do—it's a nice way to meet your shipmates.

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Sunday was a cozy day indoors and the trainees who spent the afternoon at the center were delighted with the Philharmonic recordings which were presented to the Club with the compliments of the Firestone Rubber Company. There are 16 albums of these delightful records. Anyone may play them.

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Be it a weenie or a spaghetti dinner every section party takes on the air of a banquet when it is held at the USO. On Saturday, 9 December, it was truly a banquet fit for a king when section 31 had roast turkey with all the trimmings. It was a dinner that will long be remembered not just because of the luscious food but also for the warm and true friendships made during the day.

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Braving the snow storm last Sunday evening and liking it, section 33 was in attendance enmasse. Everyone enjoyed the get-together very much, all planning to go back to the USO in the very near future.

WAVES Decorated By French Navy

Three WAVES have been awarded the French Cross of Lorraine in appreciation of their work in aiding the group of chief petty officers of the French Navy who are receiving refresher flight training at NAS, Pensacola.

It is the job of these WAVES to interpret lessons, orders and schedules for the Frenchmen, all pilots from North Africa who speak little English.

The awards were given to Lt. (jg) Marie Dapples, Chicago, liaison officer for the French students; Ensign Catherine Sahlucka, Windsor, Vermont, navigation and aerology instructor; and Mary McNeil Sp(T)2c, Pasadena, link trainer instructor at Whiting Field.

—THE ALWAV.

Music and Friendly Hours Canceled

The Music and Friendly hours are canceled this week because of other activities on the station. Sunday afternoon the "Messiah" will be presented by the college choir and orchestra, and a few WAVES will be able to attend. No tickets are necessary. This will move the station movie up to 1845, as the college presentation will be at 1600 in the auditorium.

WAVES May Go Sleigh Riding Saturday

Arrangements for sleigh riding parties may be made with Ensign Alice Goodenow of the physical training department.

A real sleigh, complete with horses, bells, and a driver will be available Saturday afternoon. The sleigh will accommodate twenty people at a time and parties will leave at 1300, 1400, and 1500. The cost will be twenty cents per person for an hour's ride.

Chicago Hotel Service To Aid Naval Personnel

Captain C. A. Bailey, Chief of Staff of Ninth Naval District, has announced that a Hotel Reservation Desk under the direction of the Welfare Office has been established in Room 1025, 333 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ANDOVER 5130. Through the co-operation of the Greater Chicago Hotel Association, an appreciable number of hotel rooms are being made available daily for naval personnel who may have an occasion to visit the Chicago area.

All naval personnel requiring hotel accommodations in Chicago are requested to make their reservations through the subject desk, rather than with the hotels direct. Reservations should be made as far in advance as possible by telephone, dispatch, or letter giving the following information:

- (a) Date and scheduled hour of arrival.
- (b) The probable length of stay.
- (c) Whether traveling on orders or on leave.
- (d) Type of room desired.

In general, priorities will be given as follows:

1. Those on official orders.
2. Those returning from combat areas.
3. Those returning from duty beyond the continental limits.
4. Those on leave.

Ode To New Trainee

I heard a little bell today,
I wondered what it meant—
My roommate said, "Come, hit the hay,
You have no time to play!"
I said, "Oh, please, don't bother me."
And now I'm hanging on the Tree.

Seaman Second Class

By Albert C. Jeffries

Months I've spent in trying
Trying hard to make a rate
And after taking loads of progress tests
I am here to state, that

I'll always be a seaman
A seaman second class
A rambling, roving sailor
That the Board will never pass.

Now when first I joined the Navy
In nineteen forty-three
I thought it would be gravy
And a hero I would be, but

Alas, alack my dreams fell through
My abilities aren't needed
I'm slinging hash for the whole damn crew
Constantly unheeded.

Here I am in Whites again
With three full months in store
Wearing gear like the pajamas
I had before the War, yet

I'll wear the chosen clothing
Without a groan or cough
And when they get dirty, I'll tell everyone
That's where the white's worn off.

Of all the men in the Navy
Who could cause me plenty of grief
There's only one who has turned the trick
It's the guy I call the chief, but
When this War is over
And they cease with shot and shell
I can go back home again
And the chief can do as he likes,

OH, I've told you all troubles
My miseries to abate
But before I end this ballad
Again I wish to state, that

I'll always be a seaman
A seaman second class
A rambling, roving sailor
That the Board will never pass.
—"Our Navy"

Say "Merry Christmas" with



WAR BONDS

RELIGION

Friday and Saturday, 1830—Catholic Confessions will be heard in the Chaplain's Office.

SUNDAY—

- 0715—Muster for Catholic Mass (see Handbook for Directions).
- 0725—CATHOLIC MASS
- 0725—Station Choir and Station Service Ushers muster for mess in Main Deck Lounge.
- 0820—Station Choir and Ushers Muster—First deck, first wing of Bartlett Hall. Exit "M" to go to rehearsal.
- 0840—Muster for Station Service. Jewish girls muster Main Deck Lounge.
- 0900—STATION SERVICE—Auditorium.
- 0900—JEWISH SERVICE—Faculty Lounge, Gilchrist Hall.
- 1000—COMMUNION SERVICE—Gilchrist Chapel.

The Chaplain plans to be in his office as much as possible during trainees' free time for personal conferences or for just friendly visits.

Transportation to and from the local Christian Science Church is provided to those Christian Scientists at NTS who wish to attend Sunday services. A car or cars will be stationed at the gate at the east end of Bartlett Hall on 23rd Street at 1030 every Sunday. Those who take advantage of this offer are assured that they will be delivered back to NTS prior to 1205.

RECREATION

SATURDAY—

SPORTS

Consult Administrative Notice 5-44

Swimming—Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1630-1745.
Saturday and Sunday 1600-1700.

Ping Pong, Badminton and Volleyball—Room 214G (women's gym).
Equipment may be obtained from the physical training office in the women's gym at the following times:
Monday through Friday 1630-1730
Saturday 1330-1600
Sunday—1400-1600

Bowling)
Riding) For complete information consult Administrative Notice 5-44 on company bulletin board
Roller Skating)
Ice Skating)
Sleigh Riding—see Ens. A. L. Goodenow.

MOVIES

Saturday at 2000)
See notice elsewhere in IOWAVE for current attractions.
Sunday at 1400)

MUSIC HOUR

Sunday at 1600 in the east lounge—Listener's choice.
Tuesday at 1830 in the east lounge—Professor Carl A. Wirth of the ISTC Music Faculty plays and discusses world famous music.

FRIENDLY HOUR

Sunday at 1830 in the east lounge—a non-sectarian get-together with varied programs.

USO

Cedar Falls USO Club located at Third and Clay Streets. Regular services—Lounges, reading, letter writing, games, music, and dancing. Free snack bar. Information, etc. Housing (call Mrs. George Mach at 434 week days or 1601 Saturday and Sunday.)

Trainees are urged to clip this notice for reference as it is published only every four weeks.

Navy Teams Win Two Games Each

Officers and ship's company bowling teams were both successful in each winning two of their three games in the Cedar Falls Women's Bowling League, Tuesday, 12 December.

The officers took their two games from Pfeiffers, who have been a top team in the league, by a total three-game score of 2044 to 2002. Ensign V. Hawke bowled high single-game score of 175 and high three-game total of 417.

Ship's company won their two games from Apparel Art, also a top league team. A. Bearden, Sp(S)3c, rolled high single game of 155 and high three-game total of 404.

There will be no league bowling for the next two weeks during the Christmas holidays, but the alleys will be open as usual for regular bowling. League bowling will be resumed on 2 January 1945.

G. Goodding Gets Promotion to (jg)

Promotion has come to a woman officer of the Naval Reserve stationed in Iowa.

Comdr. E. E. Pettie has announced that Gladys L. Goodding of Bard, California, has been advanced from Ensign to Lieutenant (junior grade).

Lt. (jg) Goodding reported for duty in Cedar Falls in May 1944. She holds a B. A. degree in Education from the University of New Mexico and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Theta Alpha Phi, and Pi Lambda Theta. Before

Chevrons of Ship's Company

Margaret Greer, PhM3c

A dental technician with a friendly smile is Margaret Greer, PhM3c, from Boston, Massachusetts. Greer attended school in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts. Before joining the Navy, she was assistant to a dentist who specialized in child dentistry. She was a member of the Massachusetts Defense Motor Corps and an Executive Board member for three years of the Massachusetts Dental Assistants Association. Her brother, who is a T/Sgt. in the Army Air Corps, is at present a German prisoner of war and her brother-in-law is a Major in the Marine Air Corps.

In order to have the Navy represented in the Greer family, Greer joined the Navy in April, 1944. She was graduated from Great Lakes in the first class to train W A V E Dental Technicians. There were fifty men and only four girls in the class (Greer claims it wasn't bad at all.) In July, 1944, she reported on board the USS BARTLETT and says that next to Boston weather, Iowa has her vote.

Being an outdoor enthusiast she enjoys all sports but her favorites are golf and figure skating. We all have our own ambition but perhaps it is not quite as unique as Greer's because her great aim in life is to beat her Dad at golf. So far she says she hasn't been able to do it.

Joining the Navy, Miss Goodding was a teacher in the public schools in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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